

Abstract

A method for capturing an electronic signature of a user in a java based environment on a personal digital assistant. The method including prompting the user by an applet operating on the personal digital assistant, handling a canvas by the applet, and capturing an instance of the electronic signature on the canvas. The method further includes encoding by the canvas the instance of the electronic signature in a file and transferring the file by the canvas to the applet. A personal digital assistant including a screen sensitive to pressure for capturing a signature and an application adapted to capture the signature and attach the signature to a business object. In the personal digital assistant, the application further includes an applet adapted to prompt a user and adapted to handle a canvas. The canvas is adapted to capture an instance of the electronic signature and encode the instance in a file. The file is transferred by the canvas to the applet. A computer readable medium including a method for capturing an electronic signature of a user in a java based environment on a personal digital assistant.